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## CALIFORNIA STATE TREASURER PHIL ANGELIDES

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## TREASURER ANGELIDES APPLAUDS THE AWARD OF MORE THAN \$108 MILLION TO BUILD AND RENOVATE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY LIBRARIES

SACRAMENTO, CA – California State Treasurer Phil Angelides today applauded the award of more than \$108 million in state funding to California community libraries in the second of three highly competitive funding cycles under the \$350 million Library Bond Act of 2000.

"We saw many excellent projects, and were pleased to award library grants to 16 communities," said Treasurer Angelides, a member of the California Public Library Construction and Renovation Board. "The breadth of community support and quality of applications submitted reconfirms the tremendous need for further public investment in California's libraries and communities."

The Library Bond Act of 2000 was created by the passage of a statewide bond measure in March 2000. The Bond Act authorized the sale of \$350 million of state general obligation bonds for the purpose of public library construction and renovation. The California State Librarian chairs the California Public Library Construction and Renovation Board. The first funding cycle was completed in December 2002, with 18 projects receiving \$149 million in grant awards. For the second funding cycle, the Board received 66 eligible grant applications with a total funding request of \$547 million. The Board was restricted to awarding \$110 million in grant funds at its meeting on October 28, 2003.

City	County	Project name	Funds Awarded
Long Beach	Los Angeles	MacArthur Park Branch Library	\$6,366,733
Frazier Park	Kern	Frazier Park Branch Library	\$3,382,960
Mendota	Fresno	Mendota Branch Library	\$3,546,687
Hesperia	San Bernardino	Hesperia Branch Library	\$4,239,931
Dorris	Siskiyou	Dorris Library	\$533,635
Gateway City	Los Angeles	Harbor-Gateway City Branch Library	\$5,712,764
Calabasas	Los Angeles	Calabasas Public Library	\$8,197,393
Temecula	Riverside	Temecula Public Library	\$8,552,414
San Diego	San Diego	San Diego Main Library	\$20,000,000
Redwood City	San Mateo	Redwood Shores Community Library	\$10,103,707
Fairfield	Solano	Fairfield Cordelia Branch Library	\$4,100,385
Lincoln	Placer	Lincoln Public Library	\$10,422,338
Murrieta	Riverside	Murrieta Public Library	\$6,373,676
Redding	Shasta	Redding Main	\$12,177,532
San Rafael	Marin	Pickleweed	\$1,288,893

Castroville	Monterey	Castroville	\$3,158,614
Total Second Cycle Funding			\$108,157,662

For the third round, the application period is scheduled in 2004 for the nearly \$92 million of remaining state funding.

The criteria used to review the applications are:

- The age and condition of the existing library facility;
- The degree to which the existing library facility is inadequate in meeting the needs of the residents in the library service area and the degree to which the proposed project responds to the needs of those residents;
- The degree to which the library's plan of service integrates appropriate electronic technologies into the proposed project; and
- The degree to which the proposed site is appropriate for the proposed project and its intended use.

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